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Dear Dr. Weibull:

I hope this reaches you while you are still at the Berkeley campus. I regret not having found an opportunity to write you sooner.

Roger Stanier mentioned briefly that you were working at Berkeley on extra-nuclear bacterial cytology. I was most interested to hear of your reservations about the single mitochondrion, with which I concur wholly. [The enclosed squib which may be the first reference to this granule may be of interest to you].

But there is another subject of mutual interest which is my present concern. Together with several collaborators, I have been interested in the genetics of the flagella in *Salmonella*. I regret that I do not have copy that I can spare of the ms. with Stocker, now in press, on the factors controlling the formation of flagella, and their ability to function, but you may be equally interested in the enclosed, which deals with their antigenic content. In extensions of these studies, it would be clearly desirable to deal more closely with the chemical and serological properties of flagella separated from the bacteria, following your own studies. I would be delighted if there were any opportunity to discuss this with you in person. I understand you may be returning to Europe this summer. Is there any possibility of your diverting your route to visit Madison for a day or two? Our departmental budget is rather tight on such matters, but I believe I can arrange for a reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses that might be incidental to such ~~ad-~~ a diversion, e.g. from Chicago to Madison and return.

If this is not feasible for you, or if I am not correctly informed as to your plans, perhaps we can arrange for a discussion of this subject by mail. Meanwhile, I would be greatly obliged for an exchange of publications on these subjects of mutual interest.

Yours sincerely,

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P.S. Please communicate my best regards to Roger, Mike, and my other friends and one-time colleagues at Berkeley.